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RE: 30 Day Post-General (10/16/96-11/25/96) and
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Dear Mr. Dodson:

This is in response to your letter dated July 17, 1997, to William Lucy, Treasurer of AFSCME/PEOPLE, regarding the above-captioned matter.

The contributions questioned in your letter were correctly reported. The contributions to the county committees were made with the understanding that those committees are not affiliated with the Texas Democratic Party or with each other. On that basis, it was, and is, our position that the contributions in question did not exceed statutory limits. However, in light of the questions raised in your July 17 letter, we have sent the attached letters to each of the county committees that were recipients of the contributions in question asking that they either refund the contribution or provide us with support for the position that they are not affiliated with the Texas State Democratic Party.

Please contact me directly if you have any other inquiries regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

Larry P. Weinberg
General Counsel

cc: William Lucy, Treasurer, AFSCME/PEOPLE
Larry Scanlon, Director of Political Action, AFSCME

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